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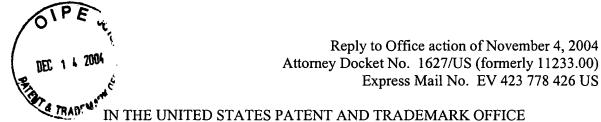
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE IN REPLY TO OFFICE COMMUNICATION

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This paper is in response to the Office action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on November 4, 2004, setting forth a shortened statutory period for reply set to expire on February 4, 2005. This Amendment and Response is submitted within the shortened statutory response period. Therefore, Applicant believes no further fees or petitions are required.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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